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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) An intermediate electrical connector comprising:

a circuit board having a plurality of contact portions arranged on opposed edges thereof to which two connectors are attached in opposed directions, respectively, and a pair of supported portions provided at ends thereof in an arrangement direction of said contact portions; and

a guide member holding said circuit board and guiding said connectors to a position for connection with said circuit board, said guide member having a support portion being brought into contact with an face of said circuit board and positioning said circuit board at a predetermined position and a pair of columns each having a holding portion provided at a position corresponding to that of said supported portion, wherein at least one of said supported portions has an asymmetric shape with respect to both said opposed direction and said arrangement direction of said contact portions and at least one of said holding portions has a corresponding shape for receiving said asymmetric shape of said supported portion.

2. (currently amended) The intermediate electrical connector according to claim 1, wherein said supported portion of said circuit board has a raised portion extending therefrom in said arrangement direction asymmetrically with respect to both said opposed direction and said arrangement direction thereby provide said

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asymmetric shape and said corresponding shape of said holding portion has a stepped section which ~~abuts against~~ an end surface of receives said raised portion.

3. (currently amended) [[The]] An intermediate electrical connector ~~according to claim 1~~ comprising:

a circuit board having a plurality of contact portions arranged on opposed edges thereof to which two connectors are to be attached in opposed directions, respectively, and a pair of supported portions provided at ends thereof in an arrangement direction of said contact portions;

a guide member having a support portion for supporting said circuit board and a pair of columns each having a holding portion provided at a position corresponding to that of said supported portion, wherein said supported portion of said circuit board has a hole or a cut-off portion at an asymmetric position therein with respect to both said opposed directions and said arrangement direction and said corresponding shape of said holding portion has a projection which is plugged into said hole or said cut-off portion.